

## Message Text

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FM AMEMBASSY PORT AU PRINCE

TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 6738

GUANTANAMO BAY IMMEDIATE

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C O R R E C T E D C O P Y (CLASSIFICATION - LIMITED OFFICIAL USE  
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SUBJECT: FIRE IN NATIONAL PALACE

REF: TELECON WITH OPS CENTER

1. GENERAL RAYMOND AND PRESIDENT DUVALIER TELEPHONED ME AT 0245 TO REPORT FIRE IN NATIONAL PALACE AND TO REQUEST FIRE EXTINGUISHERS WHICH WE DESPATCHED.

2. AT ABOUT 0325 FOREIGN MINISTER RAYMOND INFORMED ME FIRE WAS SPREADING THROUGHOUT AMMUNITION STORAGE INCLUDING SMALL ARMS AND ARTILLERY AMMO AND BEYOND CONTROL OF LOCAL FIREFIGHTING FACILITIES. NO REPEAT NO PERSONNEL CASUALTIES AS OF 0345.

3. CONFIRMING TELECON REQUEST URGENT DESPATCH BY AIR TO FRANCOIS DUVALIER AIRPORT OF WHATEVER U.S. MILITARY FIREFIGHTING EQUIPMENT MAY BE AVAILABLE IN GUANTANAMO BASE OR OTHER NEARBY INSTALLATIONS.

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## Message Attributes

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